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FM AMEMBASSY DAR ES SALAAM

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E. O. 11652: N/ A

TAGS: ETRD ETRN EAID TZ ZA

SUBJECT: CONGESTION IN DAR ES SALAAM HARBOR

REF: STATE 055199

BEGIN UNCLASSIFIED

1. THERE IS NO CONGESTION IN DAR ES SALAAM HARBOR NOR EXCEPT FOR VERY LIMITED PERIODS HAS THERE BEEN ANY FOR LAST SIX MONTHS. THREE NEW ALONGSIDE PIERS IN OPERATION AND WARRHOUSE BACKING UP NEW PIERS EXPECTED TO BE FINISHED AND IN OPERATION BY AUGUST. LOCAL LYKES LINE AGENTS SAY TURN AROUND TIME IS RESULT PORT EFFICIENCY AND TYPE OF CARGO: AVAILABILITY OFSPACE INSIDE HARBOR NOT USUSALLY A FACTOR. LYKES LINE TURN AROUND IS CURRENTLY ONE TO TWO DAYS.

2. SITUATION WILL WORSEN WITH LONG RAINS WHICH HAVE STARTED AND WILL LAST UNTIL EARLY/ MIDDLE MAY. TO AVOID INSURANCE LIABILITY NEITHER SHIPPERS NOR PORT AUTHORITIES DESIRE WORK CARGO IN RAIN. OBVIOUSLY THERE WILL BE SOME STACKING UP BUT PROBABLY NOTHING SERIOUS. PORT AT TAG END OF HANDLING 1972/73 EXPORT CROPS AND CHINESE IMPORTS FOR RAILWAY NOW BEING HANDLED EXPEDITIOUSLY ACROSS DOCK TO RAILHEAD LINK. IN ANY EVENT MOST OBSERVERS BELIEVE SHIPMENTS FOR RAILROAD HAVE PEAKED AND MAY DECLINE

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AS CONSTRUCTION REACHES COMPARATIVELY EASIER TERRAIN OF ZAMBIA.

3. SEE NO PRESENT JUSTIFICATION FOR CONTINUED IMPOSITION CONGESTION SURCHARGE ON DAR ES SALAAM HARBOR. END UNCLASSIFIED.

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4. IF SURGE OF IMPORTS FOR ZAMBIA MOVES THROUGH POST THIS WILL OBVIOUSLY CAUSE SOME PROBLEMS, DIFFICULT TO SAY HOW SEVERE. IN ANY EVENT ZAMBIAN- BOUND CARGO HAS NOT BEEN PARTICULAR PROBLEM. STATISTICS ON SHIPS DIVERTED DAR ES SALAAM FROM OTHER PORTS NOT AVAILABLE UNTIL AFTER END OF MONTH BUT IT IS GENERAL SUBJECTIVE IMPRESSION THAT THEY HAVE NOT BEEN NUMEROUS. SEVERAL EXPATRIATE SOURCES INSIST SIGNIFICANT AMOUNT OF ZAMBIAN TRAFFIC MOVING THROUGH BEIRA UNDER BOGUS BILLS OF LADING INDICATING EVENTUAL ZAIREAN DESTINATION.

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